

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	)	Chapter 11
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W.R. Grace & Co., <i>et al.</i> ,	)	Case No. 01-01139 (JKF)
	)	(Jointly Administered)
Debtors.	)	
	)	Objection Deadline: September 10, 2004 at 4:00 p.m.
	)	Hearing Date: September 27, 2004 at 12:00 p.m.

**TWELFTH INTERIM QUARTERLY FEE APPLICATION REQUEST  
OF BILZIN SUMBERG BAENA PRICE & AXELROD LLP FOR  
APPROVAL AND ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES  
RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AS COUNSEL TO THE  
OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF ASBESTOS PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIMANTS  
FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2004 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2004**

Name of Applicant:	<u>Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price &amp; Axelrod LLP</u>
Authorized to provide professional services to:	<u>Official Committee of Asbestos Property Damage Claimants</u>
Date of retention:	<u>April 9, 2001</u>
Period for which compensation and reimbursement is sought:	<u>January 1, 2004 through March 31, 2004</u>
Amount of compensation sought as actual reasonable and necessary:	<u>\$127,547.00</u>
Amount of expense reimbursement sought as actual reasonable and necessary:	<u>\$56,582.22</u>
This is an: <u>X</u> interim ___ final application	

If this is not the first quarterly application filed, disclose the following for each prior application:

		Requested		Approved	
Date Filed	Period	Fees	Expenses	Fees	Expenses
8/6/01	4/12/01-6/30/01	\$389,683.75	\$43,268.05		
11/8/01	7/1/01-9/30/01	\$297,019.50	\$183,000.14		
2/6/02	10/1/01 - 12/31/01	\$215,475.50	\$195,640.24		
5/17/02	1/1/02 - 3/31/02	\$281,179.50	\$79,962.62		
9/9/02	4/1/02 – 6/30/02	\$230,759.40	\$69,271.20		
11/22/02	7/1/02 – 9/30/02	\$96,284.50	\$22,219.43		
3/20/03	10/1/02-12/31/02	\$44,816.50	\$2,047.87		
6/17/03	1/1/03 – 3/31/03	\$36,088.00	\$7,097.65		
11/10/03	4/1/03 – 6/30/03	\$59,032.50	\$6,112.70		
1/28/04	7/1/03 – 9/30/03	\$58,764.50	\$5,645.82		
3/22/04	10/1/03 – 12/31/03	\$53,078.25	\$8,876.26		

**ATTACHMENT "B" TO FEE APPLICATION  
SUMMARY OF HOURS**

Name of Professional Person	Position of Applicant	Number of years in Position	Department	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Billed Hours	Total Compensation
Scott L. Baena	Partner	28	Bankruptcy	\$550.00	71.4	\$39,270.00
Allyn S Danzeisen	Associate	6	Bankruptcy	\$290.00	175.2	\$50,808.00
Jay M. Sakalo	Associate	5	Bankruptcy	\$290.00	110.5	\$32,045.00
Jason Z. Jones	Associate		Bankruptcy	\$255.00	.3	\$76.50
Luisa M. Flores	Paralegal		Bankruptcy	\$120.00	31.9	\$3,828.00
Silvia Anderson	Paralegal		Bankruptcy	\$120.00	4.3	\$516.00
Lourdes Ramirez	Paralegal		Litigation	\$120.00	.5	\$60.00
Wendy Van Dijk	Project Asst		Bankruptcy	\$110.00	28	\$3,080.00
Adam Josephs	Project Asst		Bankruptcy	\$110.00	17.2	\$1,892.00
David Rosenblat	Paralegal		Litigation	\$120.00	5.2	\$624.00
<b>Total:</b>					<b>444.5</b>	<b>\$132,199.50</b>
<b>LESS 50% DISCOUNT FOR ALL NON-WORKING TRAVEL TIME</b>						<b>\$4,652.50</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL - \$127,547.00</b>						
<b>Blended Rate: \$286.95</b>						

**COMPENSATION BY PROJECT CATEGORY**

PROJECT CATEGORY	TOTAL HOURS	TOTAL FEES
Case Administration	144.4	\$33,986.50
Debtors' Business Operations	.2	\$58.00
Creditors' Committee	19	\$6,784.00
Retention of Professionals	.4	\$220.00
Applicant's Fee Applications	31.5	\$4,072.00
Hearings	13.5	\$5345.00
Claims Analysis, Objection, Resolution (Asbestos)	16.7	\$5,337.00
Travel	20.70	\$9,305.00
Fraudulent Transfer Litigation	.2	\$110.00
Plan and Disclosure Statement	99.4	\$37,066.00
Litigation Consulting	86.5	\$27,633.00
Fee Application of Others	11.6	\$2,167.00
Retention of Others	.4	\$116.00
<b>Less 50% Discount on Non Working Travel</b>		<b>\$4,652.50-</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>444.5</b>	<b>\$127,547.00</b>

**EXPENSE SUMMARY**

1.	Searches/Title/Name/Corp Searches	
2.	Court Reporter	
3.	Messenger Services	
4.	Photocopies	\$191.55
	(a) In-house copies @ .15	\$639.15
	(b) Outside copies (at cost)	
5.	Postage	\$6.07
6.	Overnight Delivery Charges	\$79.73
7.	Long Distance Telephone Charges	\$1,075.04
8.	Telecopies	\$128.00
9.	Computerized Research	\$1,128.14
10.	Expert Fees and Costs	
11.	Miscellaneous Costs	\$47,720.56
12.	Professional Services	\$941.93
13.	Travel Expenses	\$3,997.50
	(a) Airfare	\$2,462.4
	(b) Meals	\$501.78
	(c) Parking & Mileage & Car Rental	\$788.62
	(d) Misc Travel expenses	
	(e) Lodging	\$1,120.46
<b>TOTAL "GROSS" AMOUNT OF REQUESTED DISBURSEMENT</b>		<b>\$56,582.22</b>
<b>TOTAL NET AMOUNT OF REQUESTED REIMBURSEMENT</b>		

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Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod LLP (the "Applicant"), counsel to the Official Committee of Asbestos Property Damage Claimants ("PD Committee") of the above-captioned debtors (the "Debtors") in this Court, hereby submits its twelfth interim quarterly fee application request (the "Request") pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 330 and 331 and in accordance with the Administrative Fee Order (defined below) for approval and allowance of compensation for services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection therewith, respectfully represents as follows:

**I. Introduction**

1. Applicant, as counsel to the PD Committee, seeks (i) approval and allowance, pursuant to Section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code of compensation for the professional services rendered by Applicant as counsel for the PD Committee from January 1, 2004 through March 31, 2004 (the "Twelfth Interim Quarterly Fee Period") in the aggregate amount of \$127,547.00 representing 444.5 hours of professional services and (ii) reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred by the Applicant during the Twelfth Interim Quarterly Fee Period in

connection with the rendition of such professional services in the aggregate amount of \$56,582.22.

2. This Court has jurisdiction over this application pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

## **II. Background**

3. On April 2, 2001, each of the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors continue to operate its business and manage their properties as a debtor-in-possession pursuant to Sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors' Chapter 11 cases have been procedurally consolidated and are being jointly administered. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in this case.

4. On April 12, 2001, the United States Trustee formed the PD Committee. Thereafter, the PD Committee approved the retention of the Applicant as its counsel.

5. By order dated June 21, 2001 (the "Retention Order"), the Court authorized the PD Committee to retain the Applicant nunc pro tunc to April 9, 2001, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 1103 and 328, on a general retainer basis, to represent the PD Committee in the Consolidated Cases. The Retention Order conditioned the Applicant's compensation on approval by this Court.

6. This is the Twelfth interim quarterly fee application request that the Applicant has filed with the Court for an allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses for services rendered to the PD Committee. This application is submitted pursuant to the terms of the Administrative Order Under §§105(a) and 331 Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals and Official Committee Members approved by the Court on May 3, 2001 as amended by the Court's order of April 17, 2002 (collectively, "the Administrative Fee Order"). Previously, in accordance with the

Administrative Fee Order, the Applicant has filed with the Court three Fee Applications that are the subject of this Request, which are summarized as follows:

Date Filed	Period Covered	Fees Requested	Expenses Requested	Objections
3/12/04	1/1/04 – 1/31/04	\$33,611.00	\$2,722.44	N/A
4/29/04	2/1/04 – 2/29/04	\$32,913.00	\$1,571.25	N/A
4/29/04	3/1/04 – 3/31/04	\$65,675.50	\$52,298.19	N/A
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$127,547.00</b>	<b>\$56,582.22</b>	

7. Applicant has received no payment and no promise for payment from any source for services rendered in connection with these cases. There is no agreement or understanding between Applicant and any other person for the sharing of compensation to be received hereunder.

8. As stated in the Certification of Allyn S. Danzeisen, Esquire, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," all of the services for which compensation is sought herein were rendered for and on behalf of the PD Committee solely in connection with these cases.

### **III. Summary of Services Rendered**

9. In accordance with Local Rule 2016-2 dated December 12, 1996 and the Administrative Fee Order, and to assist the Court, the Debtors, the Trustee and other parties in interest in evaluating this Request, the primary services performed by Applicant during the Twelfth Interim Quarterly Fee Period are summarized in the Summary attached hereto as Exhibit "B." The summary reflects certain services of major importance which required the special attention, efforts and skill of Applicant. Applicant's services throughout the Twelfth Interim Quarterly Fee Period have been valuable to the PD Committee in providing advice and counsel.

10. In accordance with the Administrative Fee Order and the Local Rules, a summary sheet of the attorneys and their corresponding names, year of admission, hourly rates and the number of hours incurred by each is set forth on Attachment B. The hourly rates reflect what

Applicant generally charges its other clients for similar services. Itemizations, including identification of services performed by the attorneys sorted by date and time keeper, are attached hereto as Exhibits "C-1," "C-2," and "C-3". The itemizations also contain statements of Applicant's disbursements, necessarily incurred in the performance of Applicant's duties as counsel to the PD Committee.

11. Applicant has worked closely with the PD Committee's local counsel, Ferry, Joseph & Pearce, P.A., to avoid unnecessary duplication of services.

#### **IV. Conclusion**

12. Applicant has necessarily and properly expended 444.5 hours of services in the performance of its duties as counsel to the PD Committee during the Twelfth Interim Quarterly Fee Period. Such services have a fair market value of \$127,547.00. The work involved and thus the time expended, was carefully assigned in light of the expertise required for each particular task.

13. In addition, Applicant incurred actual out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the rendition of services to the PD Committee in the sum of \$56,582.22<sup>1</sup> for which it respectfully requests reimbursement in full.

14. Applicant charges \$.15 per page for in-house photocopying services. Applicant charges the actual cost from the vendor for out-sourced photocopying and document retrieval, and computerized legal research. Applicant charges \$.50 per page for out-going facsimile transmissions, and does not charge for in-coming facsimiles.

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<sup>1</sup> Of this amount, \$47,720.56 represents costs that were erroneously deducted from Applicant's Fifth Interim Quarterly Period based on a misinterpretation of the initial report of the Fee Auditor in respect of the Fifth Interim Quarterly Period. This error has been discussed with the Debtors and the Fee Auditor's office, and it was agreed that the expenses would be included on the Twelfth Interim Period.



15. Applicant has reviewed the requirements set forth in Local Rule 2016-2 and believes that this application for interim compensation complies therewith.

16. Applicant has made no prior application in this or any other Court for the relief sought herein.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests pursuant to the Administrative Fee Order: a) the approval and allowance, pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code of compensation for professional services rendered to the PD Committee during the Twelfth Interim Quarterly Fee Period of January 1, 2004 through March 31, 2004 in the amount of \$127,547.00; b) the approval and allowance of Applicant's out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the rendition of such services during the Twelfth Interim Quarterly Fee Period of January 1, 2004 through March 31, 2004 in the amount of \$56,582.22; and c) such other relief as the Court deems just.

Dated: June 11, 2004

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